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3.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: NATO, MNUC, NO
SUBJ: NORWEGIAN DECISION ON ER/RB WEAPON

1. UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS THORVALD STOLTENBERG SAYING THAT HE WAS ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND, TOLD CHARGE APRIL 5TH THAT AS A RESULT OF THE STORTING'S DEBATE ON THE NEUTRON BOMB APRIL 4TH (SEPTTEL), THE GON HAS DECIDED TO OPPOSE THE PRODUCTION OR DEPLOYMENT OF THE NEUTRON BOMB.

2. STOLTENBERG SAID THAT AS THE EMBASSY WOULD HAVE NOTED FROM THE DEBATE APRIL 4TH, OPPOSITION TO THE NEUTRON WEAPON WAS VERY BROAD AND CAME FROM ALL PARTIES IN THE NORWEGIAN STORTING EXCEPT THE CONSERVATIVES. AS A RESULT OF THIS WIDESPREAD OPPOSITION, THE GOVERNMENT HAD DECIDED IT HAD TO REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE STORTING ON THE ISSUE AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAD THEREFORE INSTRUCTED STOLTENBERG TO OFFICIALLY
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INFORM THE USG OF THIS POSITION.

3. IN ANSWER TO CHARGE'S QUESTIONS, STOLTENBERG SAID THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT PLAN ANY FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE SUBJECT BEYOND WHAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAD SAID IN THE APRIL 4TH STORTING DEBATE AND THAT THE NORWEGIANS WOULD MAKE KNOWN THEIR POSITION IN BRUSSELS IF AND WHEN THE ISSUE

WAS DISCUSSED AGAIN THERE. IN REPLY TO STOLTENBERG'S QUERY
ABOUT THE STATUS OF USG CONSIDERATION OF THE ERW, CHARGE DREW
ON GUIDANCE PROVIDED IN STATE 87007.
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